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VACCINE FOR AIDS AND CANCER
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Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) Whether the Government propose to develop a vaccine to tackle the increasing disease like cancer and AIDS in the country; and

(b) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) (SH SHANMUGAM)

(a) &(b) In respect of Cancer vaccine according to ICMR they are gathering molecular biologydata responsible for H.pylori related stomach ulcer and papilloma virus responsible for cervix cancer. There is already vaccine available for Hepatitis B virus which is responsible for hepatocellular carcinoma. Presently no vaccine is available for Hepatitis C which is alsoresponsible for hepatocellular carcinoa.

In respect of AIDS , the Institute like All India Institute of Medical Sciences, New Delhi, National Institute of Cholera and Enteric Disease, Calcutta, National AIDS ResearchInstitute, Pune and National Institute of Immunology have intiated HIV vaccine related basic research.